BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY BROOKINGS)	ORDER APPROVING REVISED
TELEPHONE FOR APPROVAL OF ITS REVISED		SERVICE TERRITORY AS A
SERVICE TERRITORY AS A RESULT OF)	RESULT OF ANNEXATION
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)	TC97-066

On June 5, 1997, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application from Brookings Telephone to revise the franchise service territory map to reflect new service territory as a result of annexation. The annexations include property being claimed by Brookings Telephone and property not being claimed by Brookings Telephone which will be served by Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. The deadline to intervene was June 20, 1997. No petitions to intervene were filed.

The new areas to be serviced by Brookings Telephone are described as follows:

the W281' of the E545' of the N653' of the N1/2, NW1/4 of Section 34-T110N-R50W,

the W1090' of the E1635' of the N653' of the N1/2, NW1/4 of Section 34-T110N- R50W, and

the S1/2, NE1/4 and the SE1/4 of Section 2-T109N-R50W (southeast of Main Avenue and 20th Street South).

On June 24, 1997, a regularly scheduled meeting, the Commission considered the matter. Staff recommended approval of the revised service territory, noting that the revision is in compliance with statutory law and prior case law.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31. Further, the Commission finds that the revised service territory shall be approved. It is therefore

ORDERED that the revised service territory shall be approved.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 2nd day of July, 1997.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket,

JAMES A. BURG, Chairman
PAM NELSON, Commissioner
LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner

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